GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
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Export of Oilmeals
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the quantum of oilmeal and oilmeal products exported from the country during the last three years and the current year, country-wise indicating the share of India"s oilmeal exports in global exports;
(b) whether the export of oilmeal and oilmeal products from the country has declined during the said period;
(c) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor; and
(d) the steps taken by the Government to boost the said exports?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

(a) : The country-wise(top 10 countries) export details of Oilmeals and Oilmeal products for the last three years and current year is as under:-
Qty in MTs

COUNTRIES	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17(Apr-Sep)
	QTY(MTS)	QTY(MTS)	QTY(MTS)	QTY(MTS)
KOREA RP	1178776	962762	710365	349082
BANGLADESH	3814562	451276	228739	99424
VIETNAM	486117	357695	376845	133012
NEPAL	109278	112330	162897	34386
JAPAN	281189	74547	53175	23462
TAIWAN	163924	145065	130222	58190
THAILAND	419062	294741	67978	11937
MYANMAR	114845	97188	37676	17140
OMAN	65815	56206	46730	5795
U S A	2824	4867	17721	16258
OTHER COUNTRIES	3193820	1347912	261830	59663
TOTAL	9830212	3904589	2094178	808349

Source: DGCI&S

As per UN COMTRADE data for year 2015, India's share in global export of oilmeal products is 2.79%.

(b & c): Yes, Madam. The major reason for decline in export of oilmeals is lesser availability of oilseeds for crushing and continuous disparity between domestic and international prices. Production of Oilmeals is directly linked to domestic production of Oilseeds. Moreover, due to deficient rainfall in two successive years i.e. 2014 and 2015 and other natural calamities like hailstorm and unseasonal rain, the production of various commodities including oilseeds have declined in the country.

(d): Encouraging exports of agricultural products, including oilmeal and oilmeal Products, is a continuous process. The Department of Commerce provides 5% reward rate under Merchandise Exports from India Scheme(MEIS) for export of oilmeal products. The department also provides assistance to exporters of oilseeds & oilmeals through its schemes viz. Market Development Assistance(MDA) & Market Access Initiative(MAI) etc.

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